

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated August 23, 2005. Claims 1 to 12 are pending in the application. Claims 2 to 4 and 6 to 12 have been amended, and Claims 1, 5 and 9 are in independent form. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 1 to 12 would be allowable if the objection and rejections of the Office Action are overcome. Applicants respectfully submit that the objection and rejections are seen to be overcome for the reasons set forth below. Consequently, each of Claims 1 to 12 are seen to be in condition for allowance.

In the Office Action, Claims 2 to 4, 6 to 8 and 10 to 12 were objected to based on alleged informalities. In particular, the Office Action requested that the expression "A method according to Claim 1" as recited in Claims 2 to 4 be amended to recite "The method of Claim 1". In addition, the Office Action requested that similar changes be made to Claims 6 to 8 and 10 to 12.

Each of Claims 2 to 4, 6 to 8 and 10 to 12 have been amended in the manner proposed by the Office Action. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

Claim 3 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for alleged indefiniteness. In particular, it was alleged that the term "said conceptual magnification" lacks sufficient antecedent basis.

Claim 3 has been amended at line 2 to recite "said displaying step" instead of "said conceptual magnification performing step". In addition, Claim 3 has been

amended at line 8 to recite "said displaying step" instead of "said performing step".

Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are therefore respectfully requested.

Claims 9 to 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 for allegedly claiming non-statutory subject matter.


Claim 9 has been amended to recite "A computer-executable program stored on a computer-readable medium". Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

Accordingly, based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, independent Claims 1 to 12 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

No other matters being raised, it is believed that the entire application is fully in condition for allowance, and such action is courteously solicited.

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